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an elongate shaft having a proximal end, a distal end and a lumen extending therethrough, the shaft including an inner layer, an outer layer, and a reinforcement layer disposed therebetween, the reinforcement layer comprising a first wire wound in a first direction and a second highly radiopaque metal wire wound in a second direction different from the first direction, the first wire interwoven with the second wire, the first wire having a first diameter and the second wire having a second diameter less than the first diameter.

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19. (New) An intravascular catheter as in claim 1, wherein the highly radiopaque metal

comprises tungsten.

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20. (New) An intravascular catheter as in claim 8, wherein the highly radiopaque metal

comprises tungsten.

21. (New) An intravascular catheter as in claim 14, wherein the highly radiopaque metal

comprises tungsten.